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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE  
DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated June 2, 2006 for one(1) month(s) from September 2, 2006 to October 2, 2006. An Amendment responding to the aforesaid Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 10-0750/ETH5092/BEL in the name of Johnson & Johnson for the cost of filing this Petition. Three copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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